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¶1. (U) Below is the text of a letter of congratulations to President-elect Obama from Sheikh Hasina, President of Bangladesh Awami League and Former Prime Minister of Bangladesh. We will forward the original to SCA/PB.

¶2. (U) Begin text:

H.E. Mr. Barack Obama
President-elect of the United States of America
Washington, D.C.

Your Excellency,

It is with immense pleasure I extend to you, on behalf of the people of the Republic Bangladesh, my party-the Awami League, and myself, our warmest congratulations and heartiest felicitations on your historic election victory on 04 November to the Office of the President of the United States of America.

I believe your resounding win satisfies the demand for change in the quality of leadership needed to face the challenges of a rapidly changing present day world. I also believe with you at the helm of affairs of the United States of America and driven by your vision for positive transformations supported by sound policies, we shall experience the emergence of a peaceful and prosperous America, and the world.

In Bangladesh, like many countries around the globe, we shall be anxiously looking forward to your valuable endeavor in supporting the cause of democracy worldwide; elimination of all forms of terrorism and diseases; alleviation of poverty; assistance in productivity and availability of food for all; reversion of the effects of climate change and global warming; and stabilization of the turbulent world economy.

I conclude by once again warmly congratulating you, on behalf of the people of the Republic of Bangladesh, my party - the Awami League, and myself, on your election as the 44th President of the United States of America, and wish you and all members of your family, good health, long life and happiness, and to the warm and friendly people of your great country, peace, progress and prosperity.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

/signed/
Sheikh Hasina
President of Bangladesh Awami League and Former Prime
Minister of Bangladesh (1996-2001)

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